

# HURRICANE SEASON: BE PREPARED!





# OVERVIEW

- Hurricane Season
- HURCON's
- Family Disaster Kit
- Sheltering On Base
- Evacuations
- Returning Home





# HURRICANE SEASON

- Hurricanes are severe tropical storms that form in the southern Atlantic Ocean, Caribbean Sea, Gulf of Mexico and in the eastern pacific Ocean.
- Hurricanes have winds of at least 74 mph.
- Hurricane season is 1 June – 30 Nov, peaking between August and September.
- The four hazards produced by a hurricane are storm surge, high winds, heavy rainfall, and tornadoes
- Plan accordingly – Have a family disaster plan in place.
- Evacuations – If an evacuation is ordered don't be caught unprepared.



# HURRICANE CONDITIONS

- Know Eglin AFB hurricane conditions (HURCONS) 4-1. These are conditions and response phases letting individuals know when hurricanes could possibly hit Eglin AFB

Hurricane Conditions (HURCONs)/Response Phases	
HURCON 4 ALERT PHASE	Destructive winds of 50 knots or greater are possible within 72 hours or when the storm enters within an 800 nautical mile radius of Eglin AFB.
HURCON 3 PREPARATION PHASE	Destructive winds of 50 knots or greater are possible within 48 hours.
HURCON 2 FINAL PREPARATION PHASE	Destructive winds of 50 knots or greater are possible within 24 hours.
HURCON 1 SECURE PHASE	Destructive winds of 50 knots or greater are possible within 12 hours.
RECOVERY PHASE	Actions taken to reestablish primary mission capability and return Eglin AFB to normal operations



# FAMILY DISASTER KIT

- Water - One gallon of water per person per day for at least three days, for drinking and sanitation
- Food - At least a three-day supply of non-perishable food. Select foods that do not require refrigeration, preparation or cooking and little or no water.
- Battery-powered or hand crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert and extra batteries for both
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- Can opener for food (if kit contains canned food)
- First Aid Kit
- Local maps



# PREPARING YOUR PETS

- Pet food and treats
- Water bowls, cat litter and litter box
- Drinkable water in plastic bottles
- Manual can opener
- Pet medications and medical records in a waterproof container
- Sturdy leashes, harnesses and/or carriers
- Current photos of your pet
- The name of your veterinarian
- Pet beds and toys
- **Pet sheltering is NOT available on base**
  - For a list of pet friendly shelters in Florida, go to:  
[http://www.floridapets.net/petfriendlyshelters.](http://www.floridapets.net/petfriendlyshelters)





## SPECIAL ITEMS

Remember family members with special needs, such as infants and elderly or disabled persons.

### For Baby

- Formula
- Diapers
- Bottles
- Medications

### For Adults

- Heart and high blood pressure medication
- Insulin
- Prescription drugs
- Denture needs





## SHELTERING ON BASE

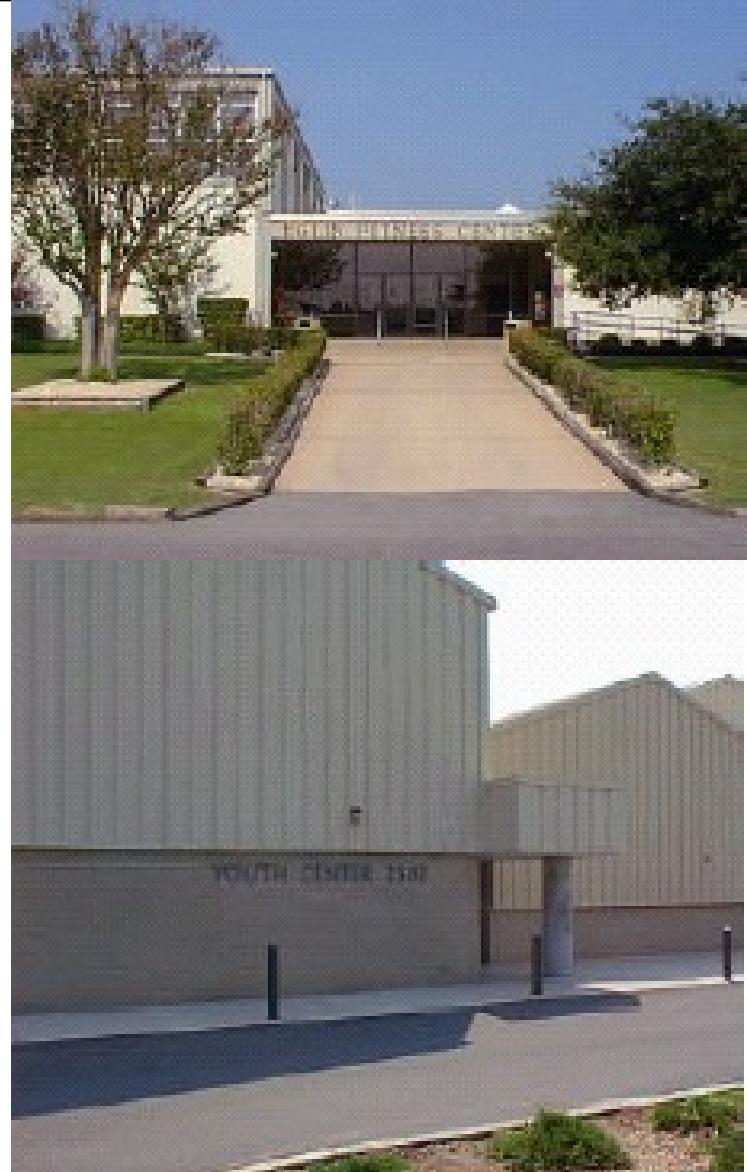
- Shelters are facilities capable of withstanding hurricane strength winds and are located out of a flood area.
- Dorm Residents will shelter in the dormitories but they do have the option of utilizing base shelters.
- Military personnel, dependents of military personnel, and DoD civilian refugees who decide to seek shelter at Eglin AFB will be directed to report to the Shelter Reception Centers for shelter assignments.
- **If a mandatory evacuation is declared then all residents, unless on a ride-out team, must leave Eglin AFB.**

A satellite image of a large, well-defined hurricane with a clear eye, showing its path over the ocean.

# SHELTERING ON BASE

## Shelter Reception Centers

- In order to shelter on EAFB, you will have to register at the designated reception center. This is to ensure accountability for personnel sheltered on base.
- Eglin AFB has two Shelter Reception Centers.
  - West Gate: Youth Services Center - Bldg. 2582
  - East Gate: Base Gym - Bldg. 810





# VOLUNTARY EVACUATIONS

## Voluntary (Cat 1)

- 96 ABW/CC approves release of duty for non-mission critical military personnel
- Liberal leave policy will be in effect for non-mission critical personnel
- No entitlements authorized, travel and lodging at members expense



# **RECOMMENDED EVACUATION**

## **Recommended (Cat 2)**

- 96 ABW/CC approves release of duty for non-mission critical military personnel and their dependents
- Administrative leave, as prescribed by the commander, will be in effect for non-mission critical personnel
- No entitlements authorized, travel and lodging at members expense

## **CC Discretion (Cat 3)**



# MANDATORY EVACUATION

## Mandatory (Cat 4/5)

- Required evacuation of all military personnel and their dependents from Eglin AFB, except designated “ride out” crews
- Non mission critical personnel will be on administrative leave
- Reimbursement for certain expenses incurred during evacuation





# REFUGE BASES

- Eglin AFB has support agreements with the following military installations:
  - Ft Benning, GA
  - Robins AFB, GA
- Evacuation bases are designed for assigned personnel and family members.
- Accomplish Air Force Personnel Accountability and Assessment System at:  
<https://afpaas.af.mil/cas/login?service=https%3A%2F%2Fafpaas.af.mil%2F%3Bjsessionid%3D7BA25FAD05F21DB04171846A46797768>



## RETURNING HOME

- Beware of outside animals/reptiles seeking shelter in or around your home.
- Report property damage to your insurance agent immediately.
- Make emergency repairs and document them. Keep all receipts and take photographs of the damages, before and after the emergency repairs, to submit with your insurance claim.
- Take precautions if the damages require you to leave your home. Secure your property, by locking windows and doors and removing all valuable items.



# SOCIAL NETWORKING

## New Eglin social networking site capabilities VIA *Facebook and Twitter*



- Source for emergency preparedness tips
- Ability to broaden information dissemination to dependents, civilians, retirees, etc...
- Example:
  - 1min phone call = bandwidth of 400 text msg's
- **[Facebook.com/EglinEM](https://www.facebook.com/EglinEM)**
- **[Twitter.com/EglinEM](https://twitter.com/EglinEM)**





# QUESTIONS ?

Please refer any questions to the  
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(96 CES/CEX)

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